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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 3945

SUBJECT: USS LIBERTY CLAIM

DURING CALLS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY JULY 5 BY DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANT LEGAL ADVISOR BOYD AND EMBOFF, [DIRECTOR] NORTH AMERIAN DEPARTMENT ELIZUR [ELIZUR] SAID GOI STANDS BY ITS PREVIOUS COMMITMENT REGARDING ITS LIABILITY IN LIBERTY CASE. [ELIZUR] SAID FOREIGN MINISTRY HOPES VERY SOON, POSSIBLY WITHIN FEW DAYS, TO COME FORWARD WITH AN APPROACH TO USG WHICH WILL BRING ABOUT A "MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT" OF USG'S CLAIM IN REGARD TO DAMAGE DONE TO VESSEL. [ELIZUR] SEEMED TO BE HINTING THAT AMOUNT GOI WOULD PROPOSE MAY BE LESS THAN THAT SOUGHT BY USG BUT WHEN ASKED SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THIS BY EMBOFF [ELIZUR] SAID HE WOULD PREFER NOT TO SAY ANYTHING MORE UNTIL FORMAL GOI PRESENTATION IS READY. ADDED THAT HE HOPED LIBERTY CLAIMS CASE WILL "SOON ALL BE BEHIND US." GP-3.
BARBOUR

Roberts memo

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